

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, In 1952, Larry "Big Red" Bowers bought a 1928 Model "A" Ford Pickup at Bristow, Nebraska, and started to haul coal from rail cars for home delivery, and in 1956, he opened the doors of his own trucking business; and,

Whereas, In the early days, Larry learned the value of hard work, sleeping in the driver's seat before sleeper cars were built, and driving without air conditioning or power steering; and,

Whereas, In 1963, Larry and his family relocated to Armour, South Dakota, where they have been active in their community and in the Redeemer Lutheran Church; and,

Whereas, Larry has employed more than 90 drivers and driven more than 6 million miles over the past 60 years; and,

Whereas, Larry has decided to retire and to leave Bowers Trucking in the capable hands of his three children; and,

Whereas, Larry's family and friends will gather on October 24, 2015, to celebrate his retirement and to recognize his career as a pioneer trucker in our great state; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on this momentous occasion:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2015, as

LARRY BOWERS DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in offering him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourteenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

Dennis Daugaard
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State